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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office communication concerning the above mentioned application of April 4, 2007 Applicant respectfully submits the following response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.